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For

METHOD AND CASTING ROLLER PLANT FOR THE SEMI-ENDLESS OR ENDLESS ROLLING BY CASTING OF A METAL IN PARTICULAR A STEEL STRIP WHICH MAY BE TRANSVERSELY SEPARATED AS REQUIRED

AFTER SOLIDIFICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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In advance of the first office action, please amend the claims as follows: